



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

State Advisory Group on Juvenile Justice

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Business Meeting
Executive Committee
March 1, 2021

Susan Kelly – Chair
Citizen Member

Present: Susan Kelly, Dave Ball, Carlos Camacho, Joseph Diamant, Hank Simpson, Cody Belanger

David Ball
Co-Chair Community Relations
Citizen Member

Joseph Diamant
SNHU Adj. Faculty – Retired
NH DJJS Director – Retired
Chair Program planning

Jerry Gulezian
Citizen Member
Co-Chair Community Relations

Carlos Camacho
Lieutenant,
Nashua Police Department
Co-Chair ERD

Hank Simpson
Citizen Member
Co-Chair ERD

Eddie Edwards
Citizen Member
Past Chair

Pamela Sullivan, DCYF Liaison
Juvenile Justice Specialist/
Compliance Monitor
Division for Children, Youth and
Families

1. Susan welcomed everyone to the call.
2. Susan updated the members on the meeting with the Director.
 - i. She advised that the SAG have initiatives they are considering.
 1. Billboards
 2. Address position
 3. Grade school
 4. Yonder bags.
 - ii. Advised the Director the SAG expected a proposal and budget narrative from the Diversion Network at the SAG meeting on Thursday.
 - iii. The federal register was mentioned – the Director called up the Formula Grant and there was no mention of seed money, and a reduction in awards each year.
 - iv. Amy McCormack suggested a meeting with Keith Towery, NH's fed rep.
 - v. Cody Belanger agreed to Co-Chair the SAG with Susan
3. Legislative update: Cody Belanger
 - i. SYSC is requesting 13.7 million dollars for their budget. The Governor supports this.
 - ii. SB 94 – sponsored by Cody and another legislator co-sponsored s – the bill calls for an assessment for each youth who enters the system? – CANS.
 - iii. He is pushing to close SYSC and will find a new facility for the serious violent offenders.
 - iv. Discussed the history of Vt. VT closed entirely, and contracted with NH to house committed youth.
4. Discussed research on diversion program – evidenced-based. Possibly work with UNH for a contract.

